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APPENDIX I.

[Vide answer to starred question No. 728 asked by Sri A. R. Rasheed, Sri M. P. Sarathi and Sri V. K. Kothandaraman at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 27th April 1960, page 528 supra.]

Clause (a) The procedure obtaining for distribution of fertilizers in this State.

Answer.—The distribution of chemical fertilizers is done as a Government Trading Scheme under the supervision and control of the Board of Revenue (Food Production) and the Collectors of the districts. The chemical fertilizers distributed under the scheme are Ammonium Sulphate, Urea, Ammonium Sulphate Nitrate, Calcium Ammonium Nitrate and certain phosphatic fertilizers, viz., Mono-Ammonium Phosphate, Di-Ammonium Phosphate, Triple Superphosphate, Complex (mixed) fertilizers, Ammoniated Triple Superphosphate and nitrophosphate which are allotted to this State from the Central pool.

2. Under the existing set up, the District Co-operative Supply and Marketing Society in each district except Thanjavur and the Tanjore Co-operative Marketing Federation, Ltd., in the Thanjavur district are functioning as Government stockholders. The retail distribution is done by authorized distributors appointed by the Collectors. The distributors obtain stocks from the Government stockholders' godown on authorization issued by the Collector or other authorized officer after prepayment of cost. There are four such distributors for each taluk, of which one is a Co-operative society and the remaining three are private merchants. Each distributor is required to open as many depots as possible, subject to a minimum of five depots in a deltaic taluk and three depots in a non-deltaic taluk.

3. One half of the total quantity of fertilizers allotted for the taluk is ear-marked for distribution through the co-operative societies and the balance is equitably distributed to the other three private merchants.

4. In the Development Blocks, only co-operative societies function as distributors. Fresh appointments of new distributors in other areas is confined only to co-operative institutions, if they are available.

5. Twenty-five per cent of the fertilizers annually allotted to this State under the Central Fertilizer Pool for distribution under the Government Trading Scheme, is ear-marked for distribution to the manure mixing firms for preparation of mixtures.

6. The retail prices of the fertilizers are fixed throughout the State at uniform rates.

7. Superphosphate is being distributed by the manufacturing firms to the consumers through their net work of agencies under informal control of the Government.

Clause (b).—Whether complaints have been received by the Government regarding blackmarketing and hoarding of fertilizers and the sale of salt labelled as fertilizers by the distributors.

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Answer.—The complaints received relate to blackmarketing in fertilizers by dealers and sale of salt mixed with Ammonium Sulphate as fertilizer.

Clause (c).—The number of persons prosecuted on action taken by the Police on the complaints.

Answer.—No prosecution has been made. The complaints of black-marketing are under investigation.

Clause (d) The places where such malpractices are reported to be taking place.

Answer.—The cases relate to Cholavaram in North Arcot district, Tiruchengode Town and Velur in Salem district and Madras City.

APPENDIX II.

[Vide answer to starred question No. 803 asked by Sri S. Ramalinga Padayachi (on behalf of Sri K. Periannan) at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 27th April 1960, page 531 supra.]

I. Works taken up under special Minor Irrigation Programme in Perambalur taluk, Tiruchirappalli district.

Name of work.	Estimated amount.
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1	Nallapadayan tank	5,300
2	S.R. to Peria Eri of Neikuppai village.	4,200
3	Namiyur tank	5,070
4	Formation of a tank on the southern side of Chinnar in Eraiyur village.	9,00,000
5	Peria Eri of T. Kalathur	7,170
6	Serukudal Eri of Keelapuliyur	1,910
7	Periammapalayam lane of Venganur	4,550
8	Sadaswaredi anicut of Malayapapatti	2,620
9	Alambadi Eri of Aranarai	3,750
10	Serankulam of Pudukkudi	540
11	Irir Eri of Irur	2,400
12	Nadu Eri of Thimmur	1,450
13	Periyakoil Eri of Thimmur	1,920
14	Aladikulam of Sillakkudi	2,130
15	Pudu Eri of Gudalur	2,550
16	Achan Eri of Periaavenmani	1,550
17	Vedanathi anicut of Thondapadi	1,900
18	Tiruvallakurichi Mela Eri of Padalur	1,050
19	Veppur Eri of Olaipadi	5,250
20	Kallaiputheri of Olaipadi	2,180
21	Pudukurichi Eri of Karai	1,650
22	Venlayn Eri of Pudukkudi	1,060